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SUBJ: PRESS STATEMENT BY THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION TO THE  
PARIS MEETINGS ON VIET-NAM

FOLLOWING IS THE PRESS STATEMENT BY USDEL RELEASED ON MAY 12  
AT 1530 LOCAL TIME:  
"THE AMERICAN DELEGATION TO THE PARIS TALKS TODAY  
REAFFIRMS ITS READINESS TO RETURN TO THE TALKS ON THE  
BASIS STATED DURING THE MAY 4 MEETING. THE DELEGATION NOTES,  
HOWEVER, THAT THE COMMUNIST SIDE WHILE DEMANDING A RESUMPTION  
OF THE TALKS IS CAREFULLY AVOIDING ANY INDICATION OF FLEXIBILITY  
OR WILLINGNESS TO DISCUSS BOTH SIDES' POSITIONS. THE AMERICAN  
DELEGATION REGRETS THAT THE COMMUNIST SIDE SEEMS TO PREFER  
POISONING THE ATMOSPHERE IN PARIS BY ISSUING STATEMENTS MORE  
NOTED FOR INVECTIVE THAN CONSTRUCTIVE LANGUAGE."  
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